



BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, November 27, 2018

BOARD MEMBERS:

Larry Church, Commissioner, Payette County
Nate Marvin, Commissioner, Washington County
Tom Dale, Commissioner, Canyon County
Kelly Aberasturi, Commissioner, Owyhee County
Bill Brown, Commissioner, Adams County (Excused)
Sam Summers, MD, Physician Representative
Bryan Elliott, Commissioner, Gem County

STAFF MEMBERS:

Nikole Zogg
Doug Doney
Patty Foster
Katrina Williams
Carol Julius
Brian Crawford

GUESTS: Ashley Anderson, Patricia Kennings

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER -- CHAIR

Chairman Bryan Elliott called the business meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

Chairman Bryan Elliott asked for additional agenda items. No additional agenda items were noted.

MOTION – Commissioner Church moved to approve the agenda. Dr. Summers seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES

Brian Crawford introduced Ashley Anderson, Health Education Specialist.

Carol Julius introduced Patty Kennings, Program Manager for the new Parents as Teachers (PAT) program.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF 10/23/18 MINUTES

Board members reviewed Board minutes from October 23, 2018. No changes were noted.

MOTION: Commissioner Marvin made a motion to approve the October 23, 2018 minutes as presented. Dr. Summers seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

PROPOSED MEETING SCHEDULE

Board members reviewed the proposed 2019 Board of Health meeting schedule. Board members requested the following changes be made:

1. Change November 2019 meeting date to November 19, 2019 to avoid the conflict of Thanksgiving week.
2. Change January 2019 meeting date to January 29 to avoid conflict with Commissioner meetings moved to Tuesday, January 22 following the holiday on January 21, 2019.
3. Change May 2019 meeting date to May 21st to avoid conflict with Memorial Day holiday.

Action item: Katrina will make the requested changes and bring the amended calendar to the next Board meeting for approval.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE REPORT:

Patty Foster presented the October 2018 financial report. The target for the end of October was 33%. Revenues were at 37.97%. Patty explained the revenues figure is a bit inflated because it still includes the \$200,000 billed to IDHW for the Crisis Center. That amount has not been received yet. It also includes the full year's carry over funds instead of adding it in month to month.

Expenditures are at 29% of target. Patty highlighted two numbers to show that last month the board approved a budget adjustment and moved \$25,000 out of trustee benefits and into operating.

Patty pointed out that clinic services personnel cost is increased slightly as a result of our new medical director. Patty pointed out the balances on the committed and restricted funds.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUEST:

Patty has two new grants or contracts that we have accepted. The first is a \$25,000 diabetes prevention (AADE) grant. We expect to use \$15,000 of that money in this fiscal year. \$10k will be spent in the next fiscal year. Another new contract from the Office of Drug Policy (ODP) for the Partnership for Success grant is for \$215,270. Patty explained that we expect to only use about \$140,000 of that grant this fiscal year. Patty asked the Board to allow her to make a budget increase of \$155,000 to include these two new grants and contracts.

MOTION: Commissioner Church moved to allow Patty to increase the budget by \$155,000 to allow for the increase in funds from AADE and ODP into clinical services. Commissioner Marvin seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS (MRC) VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

Jeff Cappe, Public Health Preparedness Liaison and Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) coordinator, presented a report on the MRC program coordinated through SWDH. Our district's MRC has about 500 members and about 1/10 of them are available at any given time. He explained that the best way to keep those volunteers is to keep them active and keep them trained through quarterly trainings and at least one annual exercise.

The end goal of ReadyKamp is to prepare our community's youth to be ready for different types of emergencies and prepared to respond or render aid until adults arrive or take over the incident.

For example, Canyon County has only eight ambulances. If we were to have a disaster where we need 10-20 ambulances, it could be hours before some of those patients are treated and transported. Student response teams can use their skills gained through ReadyKamp to provide aid and life-saving first aid until ambulances arrive.

Jeff explained that the camp has been grant-funded for the last five years. The grant funds are not available this year. The camp can accommodate approximately 40 students. Board members discussed how to reach out to involve more kids.

Lennie Elfering, MRC volunteer, discussed the importance of ReadyKamp and the confidence it instills in the students.

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

Brian Crawford recognized Lennie Elfering for his dedication as a volunteer. Lennie and his wife, Lorraine, have volunteered hundreds of hours at SWDH. Lorraine was unable to attend today to be recognized.

ReadyKamp is the first program of its kind in Idaho and one of only two in the nation. Georgia was the initial pilot location. Georgia offers the camp, held at Space Camp, to 100 kids at a time three times per year.

FOOD FEE ESTABLISHMENT UPDATE

Board members discussed the proposed new food fees. Email feedback from Melinda Merrill requesting language to limit future fee increases was discussed. Board members agree this request is reasonable.

MOTION: Commissioner Dale moved to adopt the fees as published in the schedule, with the fees remaining stable for a period of two years then being reviewed to make sure they are keeping up with the costs. Subsequent reviews will follow every two years. In addition, subsequent increases in fees cannot exceed 5% without consulting with industry and holding a public hearing. Commissioner Church seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Board members discussed when to implement the new proposed food fees.

MOTION: Commissioner Church moved to implement the new proposed food fees on January 1, 2019. Commissioner Dale seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

CRISIS CENTER

Nikki provided an update on the crisis center. Currently, the credentialing process is underway. Credentialing has been set up to credential the facility rather than the providers. This allows for the length of stay and services to be flexible. Since the facility has just been identified it is not far enough along in the process for credentialing to move forward. The payers have paused this process until the lease is signed.

Nikki explained that since the last Board of Health meeting she has met with Medicaid a few times. Medicaid is going to the legislature to request some of the funding currently going to the crisis centers directly be moved to Medicaid. By doing that those state dollars turn from \$1 into \$3 and it then allows Medicaid to contract with Optum who would be the Medicaid payer for crisis center services. This indicates that Medicaid is committed to moving forward and this shift in funding is a mechanism for moving forward.

St. Luke's has committed \$25,000 to the crisis center and usually Saint Alphonsus matches that. Nikki has had conversations with Travis Leach, President of the Nampa Saint Alphonsus facility, but not commitment has been made. Dr. Summers has a meeting coming up with Travis and will speak to him about the funding request SWDH has made.

Commissioner Church asked why Nikki came and asked the counties to put the crisis center in their budget if all funding for the first year is covered through the state legislature. Nikki explained that what was decided at this board a few months ago was to not accept public funds until the point the state legislature decreases the funding. She had another conversation among the work group members about the hospitals as well. The

hospitals had previously indicated that they would be willing to provide some form of support. Nikki wanted to ensure there was transparency with public entities and the change of the board's position. She has shared with St. Luke's that we would really appreciate the funding to help with some of the start-up and operational costs on the front end if they are willing to fund that commitment this first year.

The crisis center is expected to open around April 2019 – a few months later than initially hoped for. The opening date depends on the contractor and the speed of which they can get the construction and tenant improvements made. The lease agreement has been given its first initial review by our legal counsel. Our broker, reviewed it and had some additional comments to return back to our legal counsel. The lease should be signed next week. Commissioner Dale and Commissioner Aberasturi have both reviewed the lease.

Lifeways has finalized input on architectural design, finalized job descriptions, and are working on policies and procedures to get ready for operations. Lifeways has also met with West Valley Medical Center, Payette County CHEMS, and Canyon Community Clinic and Recovery Center to develop relationships and plan for the coordination of care for clients leaving the crisis center. The goal is to make referrals and provide appropriate follow-up to decrease the risk of individuals accessing the emergency department for care or ending up in law enforcement's hands.

Nikki has been working on a grant opportunity with the Blue Cross of Idaho Foundation. Their board meets in December and will entertain a grant request of \$75,000 in support of assessing rural areas and working on some of the system changes in terms of connecting primary care, behavioral health, emergency rooms, law enforcement, community paramedics and others who interface with people in crisis. Nikki should have an answer on that grant by the December Board of Health meeting.

Nikki is working on a communications and outreach plan for the crisis center and plans to hold meetings in each county to answer any questions about how the crisis center may affect law enforcement, legal aspects, and hospital usage. She hopes to be starting these meetings as early as December and finishing them by February.

HEALTHCARE TRANSFORMATION COUNCIL OF IDAHO

The Healthcare Transformation Council of Idaho (HTCI) is being proposed to replace the Idaho Healthcare Coalition, which was established when the state received the Statewide Health Innovation Plan (SHIP) grant. The HTCI will be a body of about 25 members primarily focused on healthcare transformation in Idaho. There have been some members selected to be recommended to the governor representing payers, hospitals, associations like Idaho Medical Association, nurses' association, primary care, etc. The HTCI will also include a representative from the public health districts, a customer member, as well as an Idaho Department of Health and Welfare (IDHW) member. Three at large members will be appointed by the governor if they so choose.

The proposed co-chairs of the HTCI group are Dr. Ted Epperly from Family Medical Residency of Idaho (FMRI), and Dr. David Pate, CEO of St. Luke's Health Systems.

The regional collaboratives that were facilitated by each of the health districts were also a part of the SHIP funding requirements. Districts 3 and 4 are working together to merge our two collaboratives in preparation for the Idaho's Medicaid shift to value-based organizations. As part of this shift, Medicaid will be supporting regional coalitions to focus on community health issues with funding coming from shared savings. Our two collaboratives have a joint meeting coming up next Tuesday to strategize on how best to redesign the two collaboratives into a single collaborative/coalition to align with the way healthcare is moving in Idaho. It is likely that the new collaborative will continue to focus on the linkage between direct patient care and public health, and work on initiatives that improve community health.

Dr. Summers explained that one of the real problems right now for particularly primary care is as we move to value based reimbursement we are also in a fee for service world. The providers are keeping a foot in each canoe and they are drifting apart.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD AND PARTNERSHIP FOR SUCCESS

The Behavioral Health Board (BHB) recently had an executive committee meeting and they decided at that meeting to not vote to approve their involvement in the Office for Drug Policy (ODP) grant until their full board can meet and discuss. Nikki spoke with ODP and ODP does not have a problem with SWDH proceeding with or without the involvement of the BHB.

Commissioner Aberasturi is certain the board will approve it. The process is what was being questioned. Commissioner Aberasturi also sits on the sub-committee and would like to get this into the schools. It will not be mandatory for every school but each school will be asked to voluntarily be part of the Gaps and Needs Assessment. Nampa schools, Homedale, Marsing, and Vallivue schools are already involved.

The Health Education Senior position required by the Partnership for Success is currently open for recruitment. The hiring list is open and we are in a position where we need to hire by Friday or start the process all over again in mid-December. The Division of Human Resources (DHR) is moving to a new electronic system for recruitment and hiring. Nikki hopes that there is enough time between now and Friday to do all of the interviews, identify a candidate and negotiate the hiring process. We hope to have an employee on board before the end of the year, but the change at DHR may delay the process.

PROPOSITION 2 UPDATE

The legislature will need to fund the expansion. Idaho Department of Health and Welfare is planning right now that if it continues to move forward they will open enrollment in November of 2019 with implementation beginning in January 2020.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 11:14 a.m. Commissioner Elliott Made a motion to go into executive session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Marvin. Roll Call taken.

At 12:10 p.m. Dr. Summers made a motion to go out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dale.

No decisions were made. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved as written:



Nikole Zogg
Secretary to the Board

Bryan Elliott
Chairman

Dec. 18, 2018
Date